CHFS

The Cabinet for Health and Family Services (CHFS) houses many of the state's departments and agencies that provide services directly to citizens. Please see list of program agencies: Department for Aging and Independent Living, Commissioner for Children with Special Health Care Needs. Department for Community Based Services, Department for Family Resource Centers and Volunteer Services, Office of Health Policy, Department for Income Support, Department for Medicaid Services, Department for Behavioral Health/Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities, and Department for Public Health. (Refer to http://chfs.ky.gov/)



Behavioral Health

The mission of the Department for Behavioral Health/Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities is to provide leadership, in partnership with others, to prevent disability, build resilience in individuals and their communities, and facilitate recovery for people whose lives have been affected by mental illness, substance abuse, or intellectual or other developmental disability. Youth that are involved with the Juvenile Court system may be referred to community mental health providers to assist with assessment or treatment of the youth's mental health, developmental disabilities, or addiction issues.

(Refer to http://chfs.ky.gov/dbhdid/)

DCBS

The Department for Community Based Services (DCBS) provides family support, child care, child and adult protection eligibility determinations for Medicaid and food benefits, and administration of an energy cost assistance program. (Refer to http://chfs.ky.gov/dcbs/)

PROTECTION & PERMANENCY

The mission of the Division of Protection & Permanency is to protect children and vulnerable adults and to promote self-sufficiency and permanency by providing the best regulatory framework and state plan structure possible. Also, to ensure maximum flexibility for interpretation and implementation of policy and procedures, which best meet the needs of the community.

P&P provides consultative services and technical assistance to CHFS service regions regarding issues of child and adult protection, guardianship, and permanency for children.

They will provide protective services for any juvenile offenders when safety is an issue by providing protective services, investigations, and possible court action to remove the child from his or her home. DCBS will also provide court ordered services/supervision for youth found guilty of status offenses.

(Refer to http://chfs.ky.gov/dcbs/dpp/)

FAMILY SUPPORT

The Division of Family Support is responsible for administering the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Kentucky Temporary Assistance (K-TAP), Kentucky Works Program (KWP), Family Alternatives Diversion (FAD), and Medicaid programs. The division also manages several additional programs that aid families. (Refer to http://chfs.ky.gov/dcbs/dfs/)

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The Justice and Public Safety Cabinet, AOC, and CHFS



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AOC

The Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) is part of the Kentucky Court of Justice system, which provides fair and equal treatment to the citizens who come before its courts, regardless of race, gender, religion, ethnicity, or sexual orientation. The Department of Family and Juvenile Services provides various services, to include Court Designated Worker program, Family Accountability Intervention and Response (FAIR) Teams, Truancy Diversion, and Teen Court program.

The Justice & Public Safety Cabinet

The Justice and Public Safety Cabinet is the state entity responsible for administering criminal justice services which include:

- Law enforcement activities and training
- Prevention, education, and substance abuse treatment for offenders
- Juvenile treatment and detention
- Adult incarceration
- Special investigations
- Paroling of eligible convicted felons

The Justice and Public Safety Cabinet's vision is to continuously improve public safety and the quality of life.

"Protecting you through public service... Making your future safer and healthier"

The Justice and Public Safety Cabinet includes several state agencies that provide services to the community and specifically to juveniles. These agencies include: Department of Public Advocacy (DPA), Department of Corrections (DOC), Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ)

(Refer to http://justice.ky.gov/)

DPA

The Mission of the Department of Public Advocacy (DPA) is to provide each eligible client with high quality services through an effective trial and post-trial delivery system, including a legal staff dedicated to the interests of their clients and the improvement of the criminal justice system. DPA provides services in all 120 Kentucky counties. If your child is in need of legal representation, you may contact:

Department of Public Advocacy (DPA)
Phone: (502) 564-8006
Fax: (502) 564-7890
(Refer to http://dpa.kv.gov/)



FEDERAL PROTECTION & ADVOCACY

The Federal Protection and Advocacy for individuals with disabilities is administered in Kentucky through the Department of Public Advocacy. P&A mission is to protect and promote the rights of Kentuckians with disabilities through legally based individual and systemic advocacy, and education.

P&A is an independent state agency that includes professional advocates and attorneys that work together with people who have disabilities to promote and protect their legal rights.

For more information about the Federal Protection and Advocacy program, please contact:

Protection and Advocacy 502-564-2967 or 1-800-372-2988 (Refer to http://www.kypa.net)

DOC

The mission of the Department of Corrections (DOC) is to protect the citizens of the Commonwealth and to provide a safe, secure and humane environment for staff and offenders in carrying out the mandates of the legislative and judicial processes; and, to provide opportunities for offenders to acquire skills which facilitate non-criminal behavior.

Juveniles that are convicted as Youthful Offenders (YO) will appear before the Circuit Court for their final sentencing at the age of eighteen (18). These youth may be returned to the Department of Juvenile Justice, be placed on probation or conditional discharge with Adult Probation and Parole, or be placed into an adult correctional facility.

(Refer to http://www.corrections.ky.gov/)

DJJ

The Kentucky Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) is responsible for prevention programs for at-risk youth, court intake, detention, residential placement and treatment services, probation, community aftercare and reintegration programs, and youth awaiting adult placement or court.

DJJ mission is to provide comprehensive services to sentenced, committed, probated, and detained youth and their families, creating opportunities for those youth to develop into productive, responsible citizens while enhancing public safety.

DJJ strives to promote services directed toward preventing delinquency, providing efficient rehabilitation services, and altering the rate of recidivism with appropriate aftercare, while minimizing risk to the community. Services include involvement of both the family and the community in the rehabilitation process. (Refer to http://www.dij.ky.gov/)